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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR PHILIPPINE CANDIDATE AS
CHAIRMAN 3RD COMMITTEE

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED NOTE FROM DFA DATED MAY 12 ASKING OUR SUPPORT FOR CANDIDACY OF AMBASSADOR LETICIA RAMOS SHAHANI (PHILIPPINE AMBASSADOR TO ROMANIA) AS CHAIRMAN OF THE SOCIAL HUMANITARIAN AND CULTURAL (3RD COMMITTEE) OF UN DURING 30TH GA. DFA NOTE STATES THAT ASIAN GROUP HAS ENDORSED SHAHANI CANDIDACY. EMBASSY HAS NOT DISCUSSED SHAHANI CANDIDACY WITH DFA. IF QUESTION ARISES, WE SHALL INFORM DFA REQUEST HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO DEPARTMENT AND ADD THAT OUR USUAL PRACTICE IS TO SUPPORT CANDIDATES WHO HAVE REGIONAL BACKING WHEN IT IS REGION'S TURN FOR OFFICE UNLESS DEPARTMENT DIRECTS OTHERWISE.

2. COMMENT: AMBASSADOR SHAHANI IS AN EXTREMELY COMPETENT CAREER DIPLOMAT WHOM GOP HAS BEEN ADVANCING RAPIDLY. THE EMBASSY HAS FOUND HER COOPERATIVE AND REASONABLY HELPFUL. WE HOPE USG CAN SUPPORT HER CANDIDACY. PLEASE ADVISE.
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